## RESOLUTION NO. 12-143

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that Robert "Bob" Parcus, community servant and humanitarian, departed this life on January 18, 2012, and we are honored to pay tribute to his memory; and,

WHEREAS, Bob was born and reared in Madison, Alabama. He and his wife of 59 years, Liz Statum Parcus, are the proud parents of one daughter, Pam Anders; two sons, Steve "Bulldog" Parcus (deceased) and Jimmy Parcus; and six grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Bob was the proprietor of Huntsville Park Beverages and was a fixture in the lives and doings of the citizens of West Huntsville for numerous years. The business at the intersection of Drake Avenue and Triana Boulevard was a hub of news and needs of the Huntsville Park community; and,

WHEREAS, Bob served as a source for whose garbage was not being picked up, who needed police assistance, and which streets needed resurfacing. With his advocacy, garbage collection service improved, a police precinct was located in West Huntsville, and streets were resurfaced: Alpine, Bradley, Broad, Clopton, Dubose, Emell, etc.; and,

WHEREAS, the Old Mill property located on Triana Boulevard received millions of dollars of investment from the City of Huntsville to construct a soccer complex. Bob suggested the park be named after Huntsville Park, so the park could be known as "Huntsville Park Park." He later embraced the name "Merrimack Park." Bob was pleased to see the Merrimack neighborhood listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. Even while he lived in Northeast Huntsville, his heart was in Huntsville Park; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby pay tribute to the memory of Bob Parcus and his devotion and support to the Huntsville Park area. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family and many friends.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, hereby order that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy be furnished to his family.

**ADOPTED** this the 23rd day of February, 2012

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 23rd day of February, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama